JAN LAL): (a) Rivers some stretches of which are being polluted are the Chambal at Kota, the Khadkhada at Khetri, the Barach at Udaipur and Chittorgarh, the Bandi at Pali, the Jojari at Jodhpur and the Luni at Balotra.

(b) According to the available data the level of pollution existing in the rivers is:

	PH	Conductivity	Chemical Oxygen Demand (mg./litre)
Khadkhada at Khetri	3 5 —4.1	1970—2200	155—407
Barach near Udaipur	7 99—8.20	1200—1500	41—44
Barach at Daroli to Nandwel (Chittorgarh)	8.48—8 57	1600—1900	41—92

(c) The steps taken include the following:

(i) The industries are directed to instal and to modify the existing facilities for treating the effluents to the prescribed standards before discharge into rivers;

(ii) Legal action is taken against the industrial unit for violation of pollution control requirements;

(iii) Fiscal incentives are given to the industries for installation of effluent treatment plants; and

(iv) A combined effluent treatment plant for cluster of small scale units has been set up at Pali and similar plants at Jodhpur and Balotra are being planned.

LIC Loans for Municipalities and Corporations

*56. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI:

SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether LIC advances loans to Municipalities and Corporations for executing their water supply schemes under the guarantee of the respective State Governments;

(b) if so, what are the details of the procedure laid down for giving loans to Municipalities/Corporations;

(c) whether the Central Government propose to simplify the procedure by giving lumpsum loan to the State Governments as per Plan allocation, which will be responsible for granting loan to the local bodies; if so, what are the details thereof and if not, what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether LIC loans are granted outside Plan ceiling to facilitate early completion of major water supply projects of the State and if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The loan applications for technically and administratively approved schemes of Government received from State Governments or the State-level Boards, wherever constituted, are examined by the Life Insurance Corporation of India. Justification and financial viability of the Schemes are established before sanction of loans. After execution of agreement by the borrower and Guarantee Deed by the State Government concerned, loans are disbursed in instalments looking to the financial and physical progress of the Schemes in hand subject to the allocations made by the Planning Commission.

In the overall interest of the policy-holders, it is necessary for the LIC to monitor the physical progress of each Scheme to ensure proper utilisation of funds and also matching contributions by the Municipalities, etc.

(d) Yes, Sir. Details of loans sanctioned and released in this respect are as under:—

(Rs. in crores)

	Sanctioned	Released
1. Rajkot Water Supply Scheme	9 00	2.5
2. Bangalore Water Supply Scheme	50.00	Amount not yet lifted.
3. Bhopal Water Supply Project	2 00	-do-

Scrapping of the scheme of 100 per cent Export-oriented units

*57. SHRI N. E. BALRAM:
SHRI SURAJ PRASAD:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Department of Revenue in the Finance Ministry has suggested scrapping of the scheme for the establishment of 100 per cent export-oriented units; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI): (a) and (b) While considering the proposals for revamping of the 100 per cent EOU scheme, amongst various suggestions made was one to the effect that if the scheme is not producing the desired results, it might be advisable to abadon it. The suggestions were considered and the scheme was suitably revised with a view to improveing its effectiveness.

World Bank Loan to meet Drought situation

*58. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank has agreed to a nerly $ 300 million increase in disbursements and supply of a free standing loan to India to hlelp the latter to tackle the acute drought situation this year;

(b) if so, what are the details of the loan; and

(c) what specific schemes are to be financed therewith?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI NARAIN DUTT TIWARI): (a) to (c) A loan/credit of $ 350 million has benn negotiated with the World Bank Mission to meet the drought situation this year. The loan is yet to be approved by the Board of Executive Directors of the Bank. The loan is expected to provide the foreign exchange required for meeting part of the import requirements of various commodities and materials, demand for which has increased consequent on the drought.

Grant of Import Licences to M/s. Indsu Menon Impex Pvt. Ltd. and IPCA Laboratories

*59. SHRI JASWANT SINGH:
SHRI A. G. KULKARNI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3592 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 25th August, 1987 and satte:

(a) whether M/s. Indsu Menon Impex Pvt. Ltd. and IPCA Laboratories were granted import licences